

8 Green Newsletter

"If it doesn't challenge you, it doesn't change you."



Teamworks was a success!

On Friday, September 29th, 8 Green had a great experience at Teamworks in Northborough. Students were divided into 6 groups, and were asked to complete various team building tasks. Many conquered their fear of heights on the rock wall, and all got to play a fierce game of dodgeball with their teachers!



Social Studies:

We are finishing the rise and development of the Roman Empire and starting research projects on the legacies of the Roman Empire.

Science:

We just finished measuring volume, mass, and length. We will be moving into the unit of properties of matter and focusing on Density.

ELA:

We continue to make our way through *Under the Persimmon Tree* with lessons centered around symbolism, changing character traits and conflict. Our first Literary Analysis, an in-class writing assignment, will be tomorrow.

Math:

The students are developing their reasoning skills by writing, simplifying, evaluating and evaluating and analyzing algebraic expressions. The students are learning how algebraic expressions can be helpful in a variety of situations and have worked closely with area, perimeter and volume as well as story problems involving linear relationships. Our unit test will be on Friday, Oct. 21st.

EXTRA HELP: 10/12 and 10/20 until 3:30



10/6 @ 6:30 at Floral Street School - ELL Family Informational Meeting

Come talk with your child's English language teachers, meet other families and make new friends. All children are welcome to come with their families. This is a great time to learn about our English Language Education program and Shrewsbury Public Schools. Please come for 15 minutes or 30 minutes or the whole 90 minutes!

10/14 - Shrewsbury High School visits Oak (during school- students only)

10/14 - Picture Day retakes

10/18 @ 6:30 in OMS Auditorium - *If Only* Screening for Students and the Shrewsbury Community

Opioid abuse has reached alarming levels in our state, and Shrewsbury is not immune to this issue. All students at Oak Middle School and Shrewsbury High School will attend screenings of *If Only* during the school day on October 18th. *If Only* is a short film intended for teens, parents and adults to raise awareness about the dangers of prescription drug misuse and abuse and to start a conversation that encourages the safe use, storage and disposal of prescription drugs to keep them out of the hands of kids. The film is made possible by The Mark Wahlberg Youth Foundation and Millennium Health.

Parents are encouraged to attend the evening event and discuss the film with their children.

A trailer of the film can be viewed at: <http://www.markwahlbergyouthfoundation.com/if-only/>

If you have concerns about your child viewing this film, please contact your grade level administrator or adjustment counselor prior to October 18.

11/8 - Conference Day - We will send information home via email with details soon.



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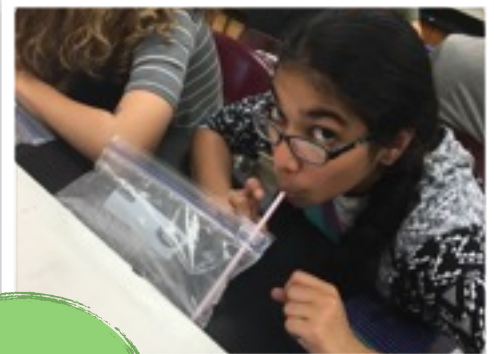
ESL:

ELA group: We started reading *The Big Wave* by Pearl S. Buck.

ESL groups: We've been working on vocabulary connected to the Legacy of Rome. We are also studying Christopher Columbus as we head towards Columbus Day. Throughout October we will study the origin of Halloween and autumn traditions in New England.

Support:

Working on establishing study habits, keeping up on assignments and preparing for upcoming assessments in Science, S.S., ELA and Math.



**Experiments
in science class!**